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An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Thomas F. Presson on 10/26/2009.

The application has been amended as follows: The "computer readable medium" of claim34 is replaced with "non-transitory computer readable medium".

Claim34 (Amended) A non-transitory computer readable medium for storing a computer program to execute a content processing method comprising the steps of: reading a take-metadata file generated for each take and recorded on a recording medium together with content data; and generating electronic-mark-list data based on the take-metadata file, wherein the electronic mark indicating a special content data is generated when the mark generator detects a peak of total value of luminance levels of each frame in a predetermined length period, or when the mark generator detects that total value of audio output levels of each frame exceeds a predetermined level within a predetermined length period.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to GIRUMSEW WENDMAGEGN whose telephone number Application/Control Number: 10/706,445

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